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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINSHASA 4526

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB, PINT, CG

SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF MAY DAY SPEECH

1. BROADCAST OF TRADITIONAL MAY DAY SPEECH BY HEAD OF NATIONAL TRATE UNION (UNTZA) SIWA DIO BANZA, RECORDED AT VOICE OF ZAIRE STUDIOS AND SCHEDULED TO BE CARRIED ON BOTH RADIO AND TELEVISION, WAS CANCELLED AT LAST MINUTE. ACCORDING TO SIWA, CANCELLATION RESULTED FROM HIS REFUSAL OF PRIME MINISTER MPINGA'S REQUEST THAT HE DELETE A PASSAGE FROM THE SPEECH.

2. THE OFFENDING PASSAGE BEGINS WITH THE OBSERVATION THAT THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOBUTU PLAN WILL REQUIRE MEN OF CONFIDENCE AND INTEGRITY WHO ARE DEVOTED TO THE NATIONAL WELVARE. IT THEN CONTINUES AS FOLLOWS: "IN FACT, THE COMINGS AND GOINGS IN MINISTERIAL CORRIDORS OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WELL KNOWN FOR THEIR DISHONESTY--ALWAYS THE SAME ONES--WHO SEEK TO HAVE THEMSELVES NAMED TO THE KEY DECISION-MAKING POSITIONS NOW BEING FILLED, OBLIGE US TO BE SKEPTICAL."

3. SIWA, WHO APPEARED RELAXED AND SOMEWHAT AMUSED BY THE CENSOR-
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SHIP, ANTICIPATES NO GOZ RETALIATION FOR HIS REFUSAL TO MODIFY THE TEXT OF HIS SPEECH.

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